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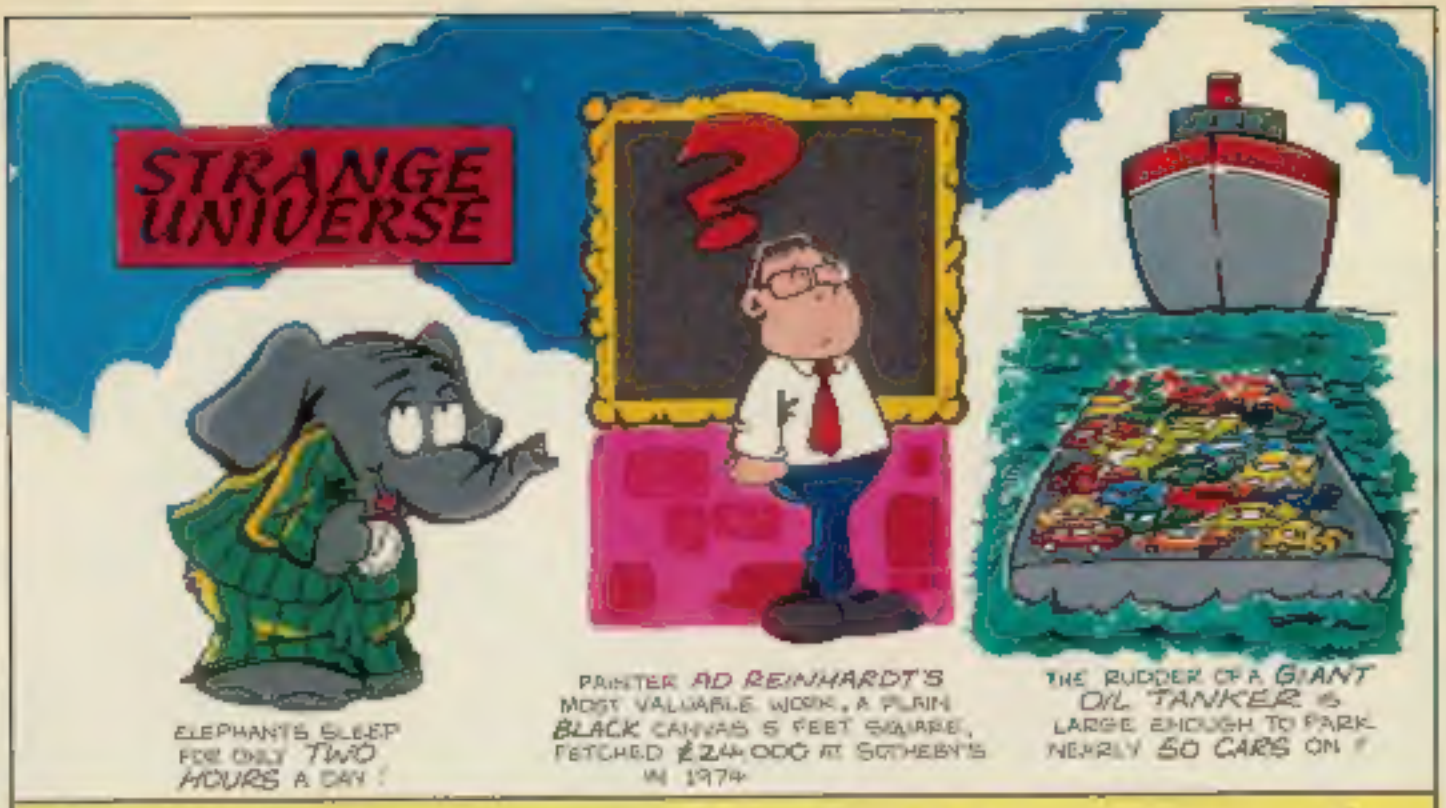
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ELEPHANTS SLEEP FOR ONLY TWO HOURS A DAY!
PAINTER AD REINHARDT'S MOST VALUABLE WORK, A PLAIN BLACK CANVAS 5 FEET SQUARE, FETCHED £24,000 AT SOTHEBY'S IN 1974
THE RUDDER OF A GIANT OIL TANKER IS LARGE ENOUGH TO PARK NEARLY 50 CARS ON!

Welcome, Young Warriors!

Doesn't time fly! With this incredible 52nd issue of MOTU we celebrate two years of Eternian adventures! I would like to know your top five stories from the past two years. We have published over 120 stories about He-Man, so you have plenty to choose from!

Be Brave,

Scrollos

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MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE

METEOR MENACE

THE NEW POWER CELLS ARE WORKING!
THE LASER BOLT CAN NOW TRAVEL FASTER AND FURTHER THAN BEFORE! AND ITS LASERS HAVE MORE FIRE-POWER!

HEE! HEE! IF YOU CAN'T AVOID ME, HOW WILL YOU FIGHT AGAINST THE EVIL WARRIORS?
I'LL SHOW YOU!
CUT IT OUT, YOU TWO. WE STILL HAVE MUCH WORK TO DO...
BEFORE PRINCE ADAM CAN CONTINUE, A FEARSOME SIGHT FILLS HIS EYES...
BY THE ELDERS!
LOOK IN THE SKY!
IT'S THE ROCK PEOPLE!
STONEDAR AND ROKKON, THE LEADERS OF THE ROCK PEOPLE, HAD RETURNED TO THEIR HOME-WORLD TO GUIDE THEIR PEOPLE TO ONE OF THE ETERNIAN MOONS. IT WAS TO BE THEIR NEW HOME. BUT...
WE ARE DOOMED!
WHY ARE THE ROCK PEOPLE ATTACKING US?
RUN FOR IT!

SOMETHING MUST HAVE DIVERTED THE ROCK PEOPLE FROM THEIR PATH. WE MUST FIND OUT WHAT!
THE ROYAL ASTRONOMER HAS ASKED TO SEE US URGENTLY!
IT WAS HE WHO PLOTTED THE COURSE FOR THE ROCK PEOPLE. PERHAPS HE KNOWS OF THE CHANGE OF PATH.
THE ROCK PEOPLE WERE ON COURSE UNTIL A SHORT WHILE AGO. SUDDENLY THE PATH WAS BLOCKED BY AN EERIE RAY! I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TRACE ITS SOURCE TO SNAKE MOUNTAIN!
SKELETOR!
BEFORE WE DEAL WITH SKELETOR WE MUST PROTECT THE CITY! OUR STEEL NETS SHOULD BE ENOUGH TO CATCH THE FALLING ROCK PEOPLE!
WE'LL NEED WARRIORS AND SKY SLEDS!
IF YOU GET THE SLEDS AND THE WARRIORS, MAN-AT-ARMS, I'LL 'FIND' HE-MAN FOR US!
MOMENTS LATER...

BY THE POWER OF GRAYSKULL... I HAVE THE POWER!
HE-MAN JOINS THE OTHER WARRIORS AND PUTS THE ETERNIAN PLAN INTO ACTION...
OPEN THE NET! WE'LL CATCH THE FALLING METEORS!
THE FIRST BATCH MISSED THE CITY... WE MUST ENSURE THESE DO THE SAME!
THE HEROIC WARRIORS FLY ABOVE THE CITY WITH THEIR NET OPEN...
HERE COMES ONE NOW!
WE'LL TAKE THEM OUTSIDE THE MAIN GATE. LET'S HOPE WE CAN GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS SOON!
I WONDER HOW THE OTHERS ARE DOING?

OUTSIDE THE WALLS OF ETERNOS CITY...
THAT CHILD!... LOOK OUT!
SNOUT SPOUT SWOOPS INTO THE METEOR'S PATH...
OH!
MOMENTS LATER...
THANK YOU, SNOUT SPOUT!
YOU'RE SAFE NOW! I'LL FLY YOU BACK TO THE CITY!
MEANWHILE, THE SKY ABOVE...
EXTENDAR! BEHIND YOU!

STORY CONTINUES AFTER NEXT PAGE

Master Mail

Dear Scrollos,
Hordak, Skeletor and He-Man each have a base to work from but King Hiss doesn't. This isn't fair! Why doesn't King Hiss have his own base?

BEN SLIWINSKI, Portsmouth.

Guess who missed the epic Snakemen saga in the never-to-be-forgotten issues 35 to 42! That told you all about Viper Tower which once belonged to King Hiss. At the moment he has lost control of the tower... but Hiss still has plans to get it back.

Dear Scrollos,
Please can you do a story about the 'Kids of Chaos' (Hordak and Skeletor as children). I have to go now because King Hiss is at the door and I'm going to test my new invention on him. It's called a hyper-walking-boxing glove. AGGGGGGH! (Don't worry, that was King Hiss!)

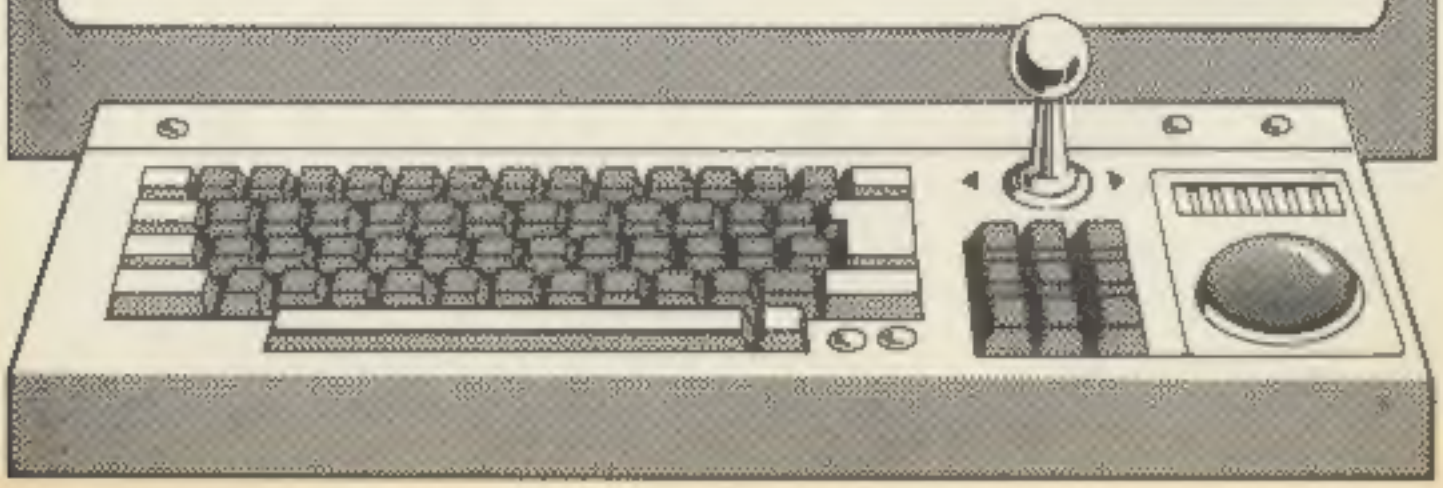
ANGUS RHODES, Weston-Super-Mare.

I'm glad you beat him, Angus! In a future issue of MOTU I will have a full page of readers letters with the famous 'I have to go now because...' excuses. Write in with your excuse and I will print the best ones for all the Warriors in the universe to see. The best entries will win a super prize!

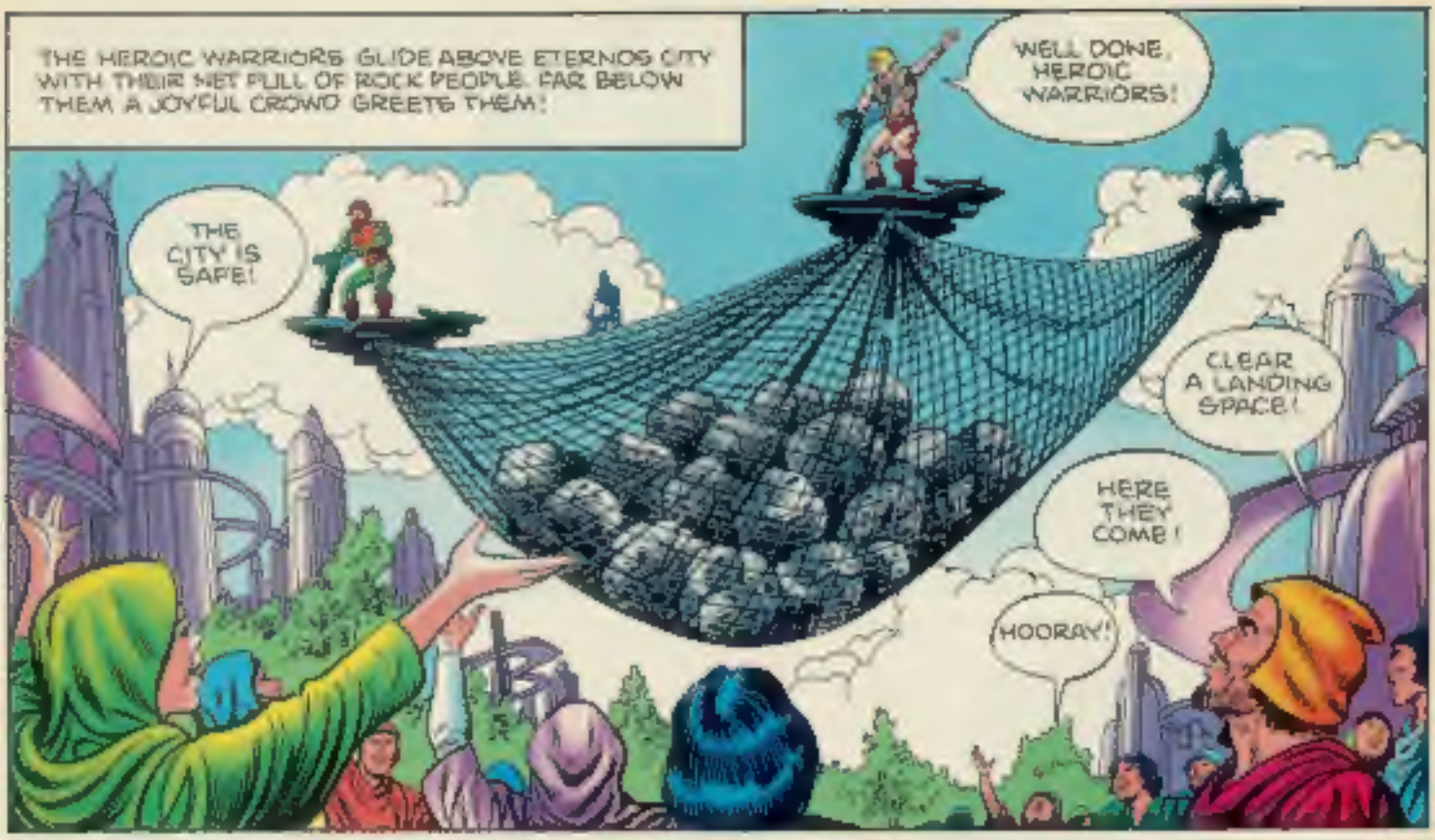
Dear Scrollos,
I have written you a great Fact File about Skeletor because he is my favourite character (snigger).
Name....Skeletor the Mystic Loser.
Birthplace....A trash-can.
Knowledge....Zero.
Job....Leader of the numbskulls.
Motto...'When you're a loser, you're a loser!'
I told you it was a great Fact File, didn't I!

ADAM LUCAS, Hinckley.

You sure did, Adam! Do any other Warriors feel like writing their own fact files about the Evil Warriors, Snakemen and Horde?



AS THE ROCK OF DOOM FALLS...
EXTENDAR WILL NEVER MAKE IT IN TIME!
SUDDENLY, AN INCREDIBLE CHANGE TAKES PLACE...
I'M LUCKY THAT I ALSO HAVE THE POWER TO SHRINK TO MY NORMAL SIZE!
IT LOOKS LIKE THAT WAS THE LAST OF THE METEORS!
LET'S LAND AND GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS MYSTERY, HE-MAN!
LAND SOFTLY!


THE HEROIC WARRIORS GLIDE ABOVE ETERNOS CITY WITH THEIR NET FULL OF ROCK PEOPLE. FAR BELOW THEM A JOYFUL CROWD GREETS THEM!
WELL DONE, HEROIC WARRIORS!
THE CITY IS SAFE!
CLEAR A LANDING SPACE!
HERE THEY COME!
HOORAY!

THE HEROIC WARRIORS REMOVE THE ROCK PEOPLE FROM THE NET AND WAIT...
WHAT DO WE DO NOW, HE-MAN?
THE ROCK PEOPLE HAVE BEEN THROUGH A VERY TOUGH TIME, ORKO. THEY WILL NEED TIME TO RECOVER.

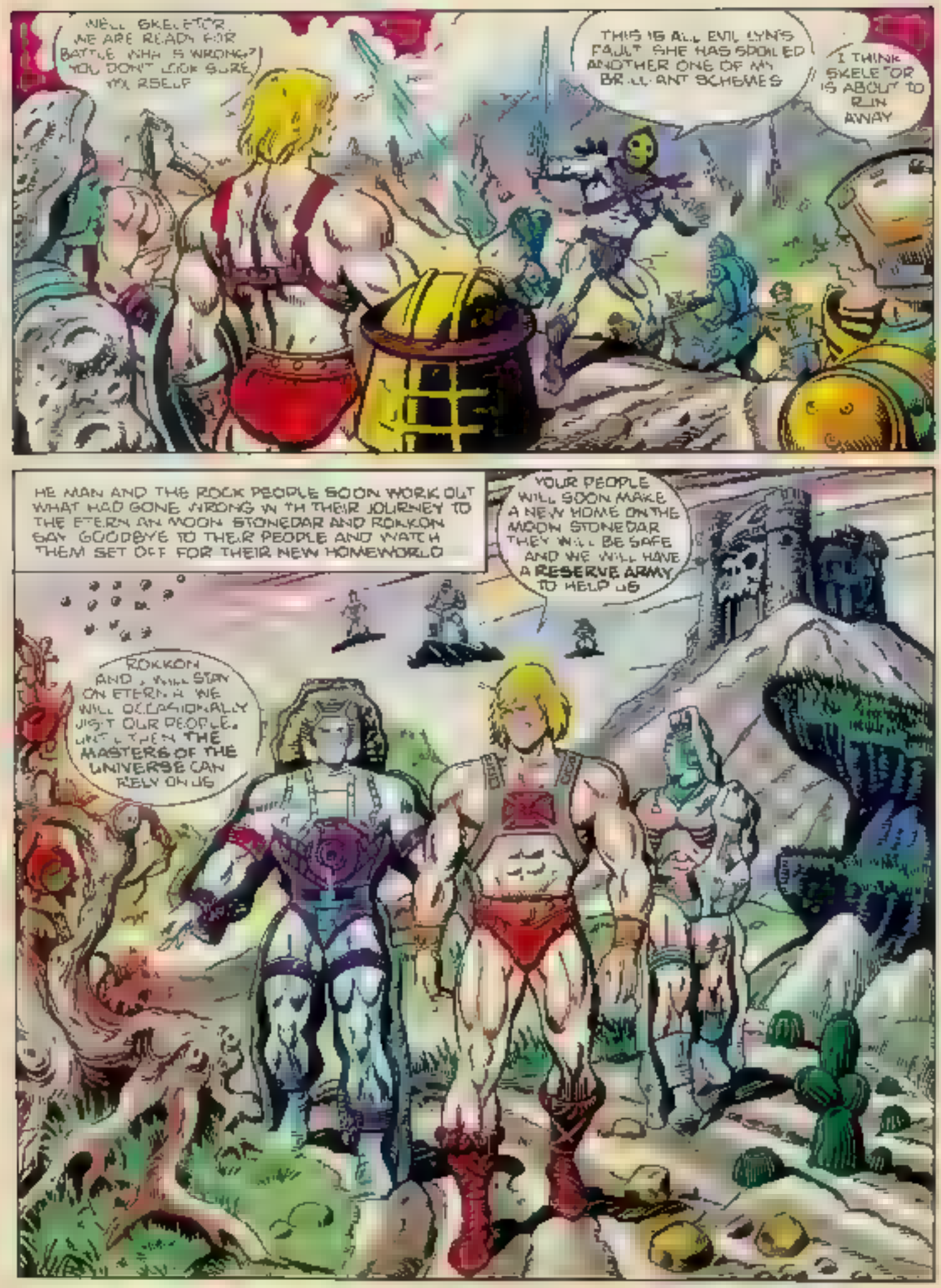
MINUTES PASS BY UNTIL THE SOUND OF GRINDING ROCK FILLS THE AIR...

BIZARRE TRANSFORMATIONS TURN METEORS TO HUMANS...
WHO DARES TO ATTACK THE ROCK PEOPLE?

STONEDAR ROKKON DONT YOU REMEMBER US?
MY MIND IS CLOUDY I CAN'T REMEMBER
MY FIRST JOB IS TO PROTECT MY PEOPLE AT ALL COST ANYTHING IN MY PATH WILL BE DESTROY
EVEN AS WE SPEAK I CAN FEEL MY MIND CLEARING IT'S AS IF A THOUSAND BLINDER SPELL WAS BEING LIFTED
YOU MUST TRUST US WE ARE YOUR FRIENDS YOU HAVE FOUGHT WITH US AGAINST THE EVIL OF SHE BETRAND FOR OAK IT IS SHE FOR WHO HAS DONE THIS TO YOUR PEOPLE
SLOWLY STONEDAR'S THOUGHTS CLEAR MEMORIES OF THE HEROIC DEEDS HE AND HE MAN PERFORMED COME FLOODING BACK
HE SPEAKS THE TRUTH MY PEOPLE REMEMBER THE BLACK DEEDS OF SHE OR SOMEHOW HE MUST HAVE PUT A MIND SPELL ON US AND DIVERTED OUR PATH

MEANWHILE
KLICK!
BAH! I HOPED MY METEOR RAIN WOULD DESTROY ETERNOS. THE ROCK PEOPLE SHOULD AT LEAST BE CONFUSED HOWEVER
AND THAT SHOULD GIVE ME THE ADVANTAGE I NEED
I UNDERSTAND
WHILE YOUR MIND SPELL HOLDS THEM WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO USE THEM AGAINST THE HEROIC WARRIORS
SUMMON MY WARRIORS BACK IN THE BATTLE MIGHT STILL FALL TO US
ESPECIALLY IF WE SEND TOMOUR ASHA AT TO STRIKE CASTLE GRAYSKULL WHILE THE WARRIORS ARE AT ETERNOS

SKELETOR'S ARMY OF EVIL WARRIORS RACE TOWARDS THE HELPLESS FORTRESS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS
FORWARD DESTROY THE CASTLE!
LEAVE [illegible] OF ME
AND I WANT TO DEAL WITH MAN AT ARMS
HUH? I DON'T REMEMBER COMMANDING SOME OF THE ROCK PEOPLE TO COME HERE?
I DIDN'T BUT I DID
HOW DID HE KNOW TO ATTACK HERE?
THE MIND SPELL [illegible] SOME LIFE [illegible] WILL [illegible] BE PICKED UP BY THE ROCK PEOPLE WE HAVE IN EVERY MOVE
THERE ARE TOO MANY OF THEM


WELL SKELETOR WE ARE READY FOR BATTLE WHAT'S WRONG? YOU DON'T LOOK SURE OF YOURSELF
THIS IS ALL EVIL LYN'S FAULT SHE HAS SPOILED ANOTHER ONE OF MY BRILLIANT SCHEMES
I THINK SKELETOR IS ABOUT TO RUN AWAY
HE MAN AND THE ROCK PEOPLE SOON WORK OUT WHAT HAD GONE WRONG WITH THEIR JOURNEY TO THE ETERNIAN MOON STONEDAR AND ROKKON SAY GOODBYE TO THEIR PEOPLE AND WATCH THEM SET OFF FOR THEIR NEW HOMEWORLD
YOUR PEOPLE WILL SOON MAKE A NEW HOME ON THE MOON STONEDAR THEY WILL BE SAFE AND WE WILL HAVE A RESERVE ARMY TO HELP US
ROKKON AND I WILL STAY ON ETERNIA WE WILL OCCASIONALLY VISIT OUR PEOPLE. UNTIL THEN THE MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE CAN RELY ON US

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE in HONEY MONSTER'S Snappy Badges Challenge

You've seen the Snappy Badges Free in special packs of Sugar Puffs now you could win one of 2,000 Snappy Watches!

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2000 Snappy Watches to be won

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Entry Form

My Snappy Badge ...

Name

Address

Sugar Puffs

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MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE
OF ALL THE LORDS OF EVIL SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE UNIVERSE, SKELETOR WAS THE MOST FEARED. EVEN THE SCIENTIFIC SCHEMES OF HORDAK THE HORRIBLE PALE TO INSIGNIFICANCE WHEN MEASURED AGAINST THE WICKED DEEDS OF THE LIVING SKELETON!
SECRET FILES: SKELETOR
SKELETOR'S EVIL HAS ALREADY KNOWN NO BOUNDS AS THE LAST BASE WITHIN THIS WORLD OF INFINITA CAUGHT THE EYE OF THE EVIL EMPEROR
THE EVIL EMPEROR HAD DECIDED TO RAISE A SELECT FEW OF SUPER POWERED WARRIORS TO HELP IN HIS CONQUEST OF THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE...
HORDE PRIME HAD ALREADY PROMOTED HORDAK AS HIS INSTRUCTOR OF EVIL WARRIORS AND HAS SERVING THE COSMOS FOR MANY STUDENTS
HORDE PRIME!
SKELETOR! FROM NOW ON YOU WILL WORK FOR ME! I WILL BE YOUR UNQUESTIONED LEADER! FROM THIS MOMENT ON, YOUR EVIL HAS ONLY ONE PURPOSE... TO SERVE ME!
SKELETOR WAS SENT TO THE WORLD OF ACADEMIA WHERE HE IS TO BE TAUGHT THE WAYS OF THE EVIL EMPIRE
SO HORDE PRIME HAS SENT ANOTHER STUDENT TO BE TAUGHT... HE'S NOT SO FAR BETTER THAN THE REST, AND MAYBE YOU WILL SURVIVE THE RIGHTS OF COURSE MWAHAHA!
AHH, SO YOU WANT HORDAK ONCE MORE TO LEARN ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW TO TAKE OVER THIS PLACE FOR YOURSELF
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SOON SKELETOR WAS ABLE TO PROVE TO THE EVIL EMPIRE THAT HE HAD LEARNT HIS TRADE EXTREMELY WELL.
I AM THE AWESOME POWER OF THE EVIL EMPIRE SKELETOR'S COMMAND
SUBJUGATE THE EMPIRE
I AM BEFORE SKELETOR THE MASTER, I AM
KATANNNN

GASP, [illegible] ALREADY [illegible]
WARNING! YOU ARE ENTERING A SOLAR SYSTEM UNDER THE RULE OF SKELETOR!
SO EASY.
FOR THE FIRST TIME SKELETOR AND HORDOR BOTH AGREE ON SOMETHING.
INSOLENT ONE [illegible] STUDENT!
K-BOOOOM
BUT YOUR MASTER!
NEVER!
STOP!... OR I WILL DESTROY BOTH OF YOU!
DARK DIMENSION
BLACK ARTS!
TROOPERS FOR YOU

SOON ALL THE UNIVERSE WILL BOW BEFORE MY POWER!
HORDAK!
THE TEMPLE OF HORDAK

FROM THIS MOMENT ON I'LL LAUNCH MY ATTACK. YOU SKELETOR HAS DESTROYED ALL OF MY PORTALS IN ALL REALMS IN THIS CORNER OF THE UNIVERSE IN MY NAME!
THAT'S A NICE GESTURE HORDAK
THESE ARE THE PRIME TIMES OF WHAT HAVE NOW BECOME THE MIGHTY SOON STYLED HORDE TROOPERS HEADLOS
BUT THIS IS NOT ENOUGH THESE WILL REPORT HIMSELF BACK TO OUR DIMENSION YOU SHALL BE STRANDED ALONE ON THIS LESS THAN FOREVER!
WHEN I RETURN TO OUR HOMEWORLD I WILL DESTROY YOUR MACHINES FROM NOW ON I SHALL BE SKELETOR AND CONQUERS
UGH! UNTIL THE END OF TIME I WILL SPEND MY EVERY MOMENT SEEKING REVENGE ON YOU I WILL FIND YOU FROM HERE
BURNING WITH AN ANGER FUELED POWER AND MORE SO HORDAK SET ABOUT HIS LONE TASK OF BUILDING TELEPORTATION MACHINES
I WILL USE THE PARTS FROM MY HORDE TROOPERS TO MAKE A TELEPORTATION MACHINE NO MATTER WHERE SKELETOR HAS FLED TO I WILL FIND HIM
TO TOOK HORDAK A LONG WHILE TO BUILD A MACHINE BIGGER THAN THE ONE SKELETOR BEHIND THE TIME WAS RIGHT AND THE WORLD WAS READY FOR HORDE PRIME AND ITS FRIGHTFUL ARMY OF HORDE TROOPERS
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SKELETOR RAPIDLY ROSE IN THE RANKS OF THE HORDE EMPIRE UNTIL...
YOUR EVIL HAS MADE YOU ONE OF MY MOST VALUABLE SUBJECTS, SKELETOR. I NOW HAVE A VERY SPECIAL MISSION FOR YOU...
THIS IS THE WORLD OF ETERNIA! AT PRESENT MOST OF ITS SURFACE IS PROTECTED BY A MAGICAL ENCHANTMENT. MY EVIL EMPIRE HAS EXTENDED ONLY TO A SMALL AREA AND THIS IS CUT OFF FROM THE REST OF THE PLANET BY A WALL!
"SMASH DOWN THE WALL AND MAKE ME A GIFT OF ETERNIA AND I WILL GIVE YOU THE UNIVERSE TO RULE!"
NO MATTER HOW LONG IT TAKES, I WILL FIND A WAY TO SMASH THROUGH THIS WALL AND CONQUER THIS WORLD! THEN THE UNIVERSE WILL BE MINE!
RUN STOP
HOW SKELETOR BROKE THE PROTECTIVE WALL AND LEARNT OF CASTLE GRAYSKULL AND HE-MAN WILL BE TOLD IN A FUTURE ISSUE OF MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE! UNTIL THEN... BE BRAVE, MY WARRIORS!
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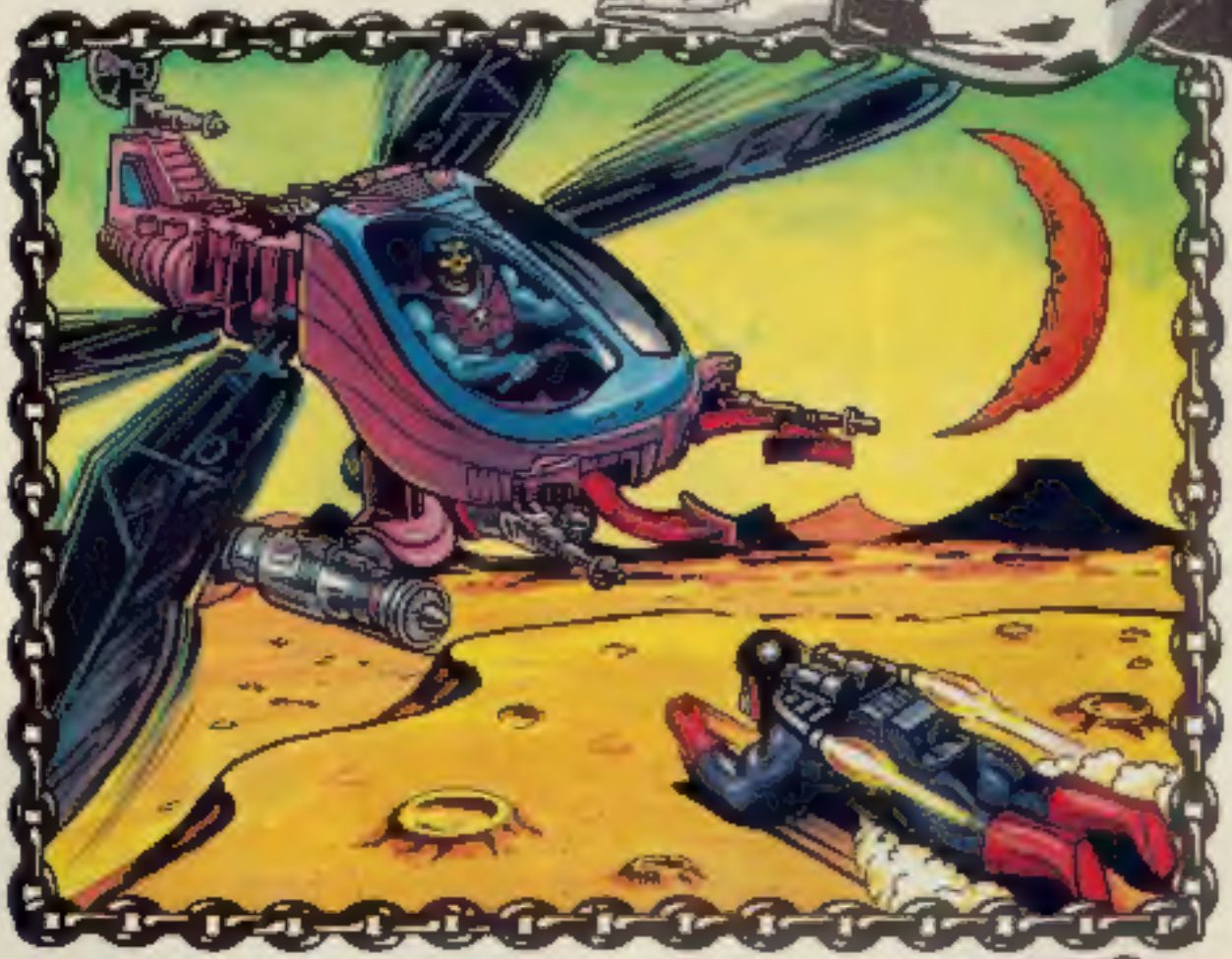

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Remember to get your parent or guardian to sign.

Club Membership Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

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_____ Post Code _____

Date of Birth _____

Signature of Parent _____

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Masters of the Universe Club, The Centre of Eternia, Admail 24, Zelah TR4 9ZP

"Crocodile"
DUNKDEE
WAY OUT IN THE AUSTRALIAN OUTBACK BIXIE IS COOLING HERSELF .... WHEN...
EEK!
THIS WILL FILL HIM UP!
Weetabix
OH DUNK! YOU'RE SO CLEVER.
STREWTH, BIXIE, I'M JUST FULL OF ABORIGINAL IDEAS!